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CLAIM OF PRIORITY UNDER 35 USC 119

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicant in the above-entitled application hereby claims the date of priority under the International Convention of Great Britain Patent Application No. 8810400.5, filed May 3, 1988, as acknowledged in the Declaration of this application.

A certified copy of said Great Britain Patent Application is of record in a parent application.

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